



Sunday, May 5, 2024

On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” “What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?”

He answered, “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’” “You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.” But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’

“Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”

The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.”

Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

Luke 10:25-37 (NIV)

- *CONNECTING YOU WITH CHRIST AND COMMUNITY* -

Greeters: Dotty Leaman, Gale & Tom Whitworth, Barb & Ron Mable, Kathy & Doug Hengst

Ushers: Leigh Shuman, Henry & Wendy Hershey, Gary & Sandy Cross

Gathering in God's Name

Chimes

Choral Introit

"Praise to the Lord, The Almighty"

by Mary MacDonald

Welcome & Ministry Highlights

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Please sign and pass the "Friendship Pad" down the pew.

At the end of the row, pass it back so that we can greet one another by name after the service.

Minute For Mission

Samaritan Counseling Center

*Call to Worship

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: Bless the Lord! Let all God's people lift up their voice!

People: Let the sound of praise ring out.

Leader: Come and hear what the Lord has done

People: The Lord who has made everything!

*Hymn #460

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

Proclaiming God's Word

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Loving God, you have shown us the way of Jesus, and invite us to be compassionate and kind, faithful and loving. While you direct us to embrace the qualities that marked his life, we confess that we have stumbled and fallen. Our sins are real, and they are many. Have mercy on us and forgive our failings. Encourage us to trust that what we have seen in Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. Amen.

Kyrie Eleison 572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Leader: The psalmist writes, "The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abundant in loving kindness. He will not always accuse; neither will he stay angry forever. He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor repaid us for our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his loving kindness toward those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us." Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Leader: As we are forgiven and reconciled to God through Christ Jesus, let us be reconciled to one another. The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

* Gloria Patri 579

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

*At this time, children through 4th grade are invited to attend Sunday School. Teachers are stationed at the main doors of the sanctuary and will walk the children to the children's classrooms in the Narthex.
Parents/Guardians may pick up their children after the service in the classroom.*

Scripture Reading Luke 10:25--37

Message **"Kindness over Resentment"** Rev. Allison Beaulieu
Responding to God's Word

Anthem "Come To The Table" by Allen Pote

Invitation To The Lord's Table Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Lord's Prayer
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Distribution of Elements
*It is our custom at Highland to eat the bread, representing your individual relationship with God.
However, please hold the cup until all are able to partake together, representing our relationship as the body of Christ.*

Prayer After Communion Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Invitation to the Offering Rev. Allison Beaulieu
Wooden offering boxes are located in the narthex

Going in God's Name

* Closing Hymn #429 "Lord, You Give The Great Commission"

* Charge and Benediction Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Organ Postlude

*PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT

**MUSIC: DR. PAUL THORLAKSON, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
JONATHAN LEFEVER, ORGANIST
A/V: MARK ANDERSON AND JERRY ROTHACKER**

Please be advised that services are recorded and you may be incidentally captured on video as part of the recording of the service. The back of the right side of the sanctuary as you enter is out of the range of the camera.

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